# COTTON CROP.

# Reports on Present Conditions in the Fields of Texas.

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EASTERN DISTRICT.

ANDERSON COUNTY,

ANGELINA COUNTY.

CHEROKEE COUNTY.

PREESTONE COUNTY.

GRIMES COUNTY.

HARDIN COUNTY.

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HOUSTON COUNTY.

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correspondents on the present condition of the cotton crop in Texas. Taken as a whole, the reports do not sustain the great dan age stories which have recently been sent out of the State and, all things taken into consideration, are rather encouraging The general drouth which has existed over the cotton growing portion of the State has stimted the plant, but a majority of the reports state that it is well fruited and is healthy. While the fact that much be taken into consideration that the num of the crop is blooming at the top is commented on as indicating that the plant has that there is still time for more benefit stopped growing, and the reports of shedding are numerous, there are about as many reports saying that the plant is put- from a tack of them. Picking will begin ting on new growth. A careful rending by about September 1 or within a few days countles does not cyldence that the worst of that date. has happened or is likely to happen. From several countles there are gloomy reports, but the glowing ones are in the majority. of the State, except in the Southern and Southeastern, would be of great benefit, but outside a few countles in the Central district such rain is not an absolute necessity for making a good crop. Former teports have shown an lucrease in the acre age of between 7 and 8 per cent. The present reports show that the plant has not done its best and todicate that the yield will be less than last year (though, of course, this is simply speculation based on present conditions) a greater percentage South and South Central districts, whe s the yield will be a material increase on a decreased acreage. Taking the State as a whole and considering all the factors, it is quite probable that the crop now ingliketed. In other words, the increased acreyield in others will offset the effects of the drouth, which consist principally in giving the plant less weed, more taproot and as many bolls on a smaller surface.

Some of the small counties in the North-west complain of damage by grasshoppers, but this will not materially affect whole crop. In the boil weevil discret there are few reports of the pest having done much damage, though their reappearance is noted in some counties and feat is expressed for the fruit yet to be formed, The war of extermination appears to have been a successful one, for the present

The crop will move about the same time as usual if there are no general rains is have the effect of regaining some of the

## EASTERN DISTRICT.

(Andersen, Angellin, Chevokee, Freestone, Grimes, Hardin, Houston, Jasper, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Monigomery, Naco-deches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San An-gustine, Shelby, Trinity, Tyler, Wolker, The outlook is for a better crop than was gathered last year. Recent rains have done material good in most sections, but there is some complaint of shedding. Picking will be general about the middle of August in the southern pertion and all over the district by September 1. Forther rain in most parts of this section would perhaps be detrimental.

### SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT.

(Austin, Brazoria, Colorado, Port Bend, Parris, Matagorda, Waller, Wharton.) The prospect is bright in nearly all portions for a full crop on the acreage plant-ed, which was less than last year. Conditions have been good of late. Picking will Legin within a week, but it is probable that there will be a shoringe of labor. There has been ample rain,

### SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Thee, Bexar, De Witt, Duval, Golint, Gon-zales, Guadalupe, Jackson, Karcos, La-tuen, Live Oak, Medina, Nucces, Refugro, Wilson,

The promise for a good crop could hardty be improved on in most of the countles comprising the district. The bell weevil has done little damage as a result of the wigorous war waged by the farmers, and the dry, spell has affected only that pertion of the district which produces little cotton. Picking is a ready under way and severar "first bales" have been reported. Sour lake, This section has had copious rains recently. Cotton acronge is increased about 40 per cent over last year; crop is in fine condition and promises good yield. No boll weevil this season. Rain is not needed for cotton.

## CENTRAL DISTRICT.

Bastrop, Rell, Bosque, Brazos, Browa, dugleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Coleman, Comsuche, Coryell, Falls, Fayette, Giliospie, Hamilton, Hays, Hill, Kerr, Lampasos, Loe, Limestone, McLennan, Mason, Milain, Mills, Mitchell, Robertson, Runnela, San Saba, Travis, Victoria, Washington, Williamson.)

It is in this section that the greatest namage has been done to the crop by the frontly. Hain has recently fallen along the eders and in most of the countles there have been showers. However, there is a large portion of the central part of the matriet which needs a good rain showers fast year. would probably do more harm than good, The crop appears to be much spotted good in some portions of a county and poor in others. As a whole, the plant has kept green and has fruited well, though it is reported to be shedding in some localities. If there be no general rain, picking will be under headway in the southern countless by August 20 and all over the district by September 1. The holl weevil has done as

# NORTHERN DISTRICT.

Calishan, Clay. Cooke, Deuton, Eastland, Frath, Hond, Jack, Johnson, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Stophens, Torrant, Taylor, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wick, Young.)

JASPER COUNTY.

Jasepr.—The outlook for cotton in this vicinity at present is very good. The repeat rains have benefited it great's; picking will begin about August 15; the yield will be about the same as last year; probably some better,

Klebyville.—The leading cotton raisers predict that they will gather more colouths season than they have for any of the past four years.

LEON COUNTY.

JASPER COUNTY.

Marquez. Having ind no rain in this immediate vicility since the 20th of bast May the extron crep has deteriorated very much. Where fecturer prospects were good for a full crop now not ever half a crep will be gathered. The plant is throwing off rapidly and ried will be still further reduced if rain does not full at once. Picking will not begin before September 10

NACOGDOCHES COUNTY. NACOGDOCHES COUNTY.

Nacogdoches, -The cotton crop compared to last year's crop is about three weeks late and but little cotton will be marketed before September 1: the plant is in fine condition and is fruiting nicely; no insects of any character reported; the present prospects are as good or better than last year, taking in the backsets by replanting, drouth, hall, etc.

Gurrison, -Crops in this vicinity are about as last year; the hall district that was replanted is coming and prospects are good; the picking will begin about September L. fit in undelng the damage which had been

Newton.—The cotton crop is very good; it weed in not as large as it might be, but is fruiting well; there have been pretty cod rains throughout the country; picking will not be general until about Septemg will not be general until about Septemri.
Burkeville.—The condition of the cotton
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time have been sufficient to keep it growing alice the plant came up; the presects are flattering for a good yield; betor than last year, though the screage, is
mail.

Corrigan.—The general crop of cetton is choiced as being good; with a few more aims the yield is expected to be better han last year; picking will be general that September 1; there have been no cool rains in this immediate vicinity since Burke. Cotton picking will begin in this section about September 1. Maybe a base or two will be picked earlier than that. The yield will be about the same as last year. Hereat rains have been an advantage to crops generally. The outlook for cotton in this vicinity is good at present.

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Moscow.—The outlook for cotton in this vicinity is good; compared with hist year at this time it is much better; picking will begin last of August; the droute did injury to old cotton, but late cotton is in a time condition; plenty of raim, with neocrets for more; yield will be larger than last year if season conditions favorable. Livingsion.—Fairly good rains have falsen in hil parts of the county, improving the prespect for corn smartly. Cotton is generally small and about three weeks late, but is fruiting nicely and promises as good or better crop than that of last year, unless some unusual loss, storm, caterplier or the boil worm occurs to cut it short, it is beginning to open now and picking will soon be the order of the day. The acrosage is increased some over last year, but the crop will be short about enough to offset such increase.

SABINE COUNTY.

Jacksonville.—About one-half the territory tributary to Jacksonville has had goed rains and cotton prospects are for a good rains and cotton prospects are for a good rield or one-half bale per acre, though it is two weeks later than last year, and picking will not begin until September 1. The other half of the territory the cotton crop will be nearly a failure, something like ten acres to make a bale. The drouth in these dry sections continues and it is too late to revive the parched cotton by gains. Hemphill.—The cotton crop is fine; has not suffered a day for rain and now a coll season in the ground; there will no said be a considerable increase in yield yet last years crop, say 15 her conthe crop so far is the finest prospect ever in the county.

TRINITY COUNTY.

Josectand. It is too early to say just how such recent rains will benefit cotton; most f the cotton had stopped growing and cas blooming on top; the rains will set up new growth and cause it to shed, but fit he sensons continue it has time to make fair crop; no insects of any kind received.

New Birmingham.—The drouth very se-riously affected cotion in this immediate section, but recent rains have revived the plant and makes chances very good for half to three-fourths of an average yield. Very little picking will be done here under thirty days. Growton.—In this immediate section of the county ample rain has fatien in the ast two weeks and the cotton was never cetter; a great deal of the upland will make nearly a bale to the are; the drouth a some portions of the county has injured the cotton crop to some extent, but as a whole the cotton crop is one of the best ever raised in the county. Wortham.—The cotton prospect is very good considering the long dry spell. Rain has fallen in the last few days in some parts of the country, while there are other parts that are needing rain. Picking will begin August 15. The crop as a whole is no average one. No worms or grasshoppers.

TYLER COUNTY.

GRIMES COUNTY.

Auderson.—The showers of the last few days are doing cotton more harm than good and is shedding badly. Picking has began on a few places and will be general in a week. The yield wills be better than last year, about 25 per cent.

Somerville.—Cotton on bottom lands is 50 per cent better than hast year. The eron is estimated generally at one-half on bottom lands. Ricent rains have proved to be beneficial. On prairie man apiands the estimate is placed at one-third of a crep, said to be on an equal average with last year. Drouth made upland cotton shed bodis considerably; where rain has fallen cotton is better. Some farmers are picking now. Picking will begin generally about August 10. Acreage about the same as last year.

Rockland.—The recent rains in this section have insured a good cotton crop; pleaking will begin about August 15; the stand is considerably better than this time last year and the yield will be 20 per cuit more.

Hyart.—Cotton crop slightly damaged by dhouth; have had some good showers for lest five days and crop outlook is about as good as in 1900; pisking will not commence for about three works yet.

Wursen.—The anticok for z good cotton crop was nover better, while it is about afteen usys later; the west is large and will fruited and the late rains will hence a letter crop than has year, as there is no sign of worms or other haser's and the faimers have their crops in the condition.

WALKER COUNTY.

Hantsville.—The condition of the cotton crop in Walker and adjoining countles was accer better at this time of the year; the tourise of a very large yield is most flat-ering. isomise of a very large yield is most flat-tering.

Now Waverly—Cettan picking in this section will be latter twin fall than ever before, on account of the farmers having ac much trouble with the early planting; the boil weavil got a large per cent of all the early forms; cotton throughout this section of the scountry is doing well and will make a fine crop; this place will ship at per cent more cotton this fall than last if the seasons continue and recent rains does not cause the exterpillar to appear about Angust 15. Over 18 25 per cent bet-ter than last year. Grapetand.—The cobton crop is about two weeks later than hast year. Picking will begin September 1. Indications are for a yield equal to last year. Recent rains have materially infleoved the prospects. Drouth did very little damage.

Lovelady.—The recent rains have been a great deal of help to the colton crop of this section, although they are not entirely general. Cotton in throwing off its fruit considerably und in considerably und the considerably und the considerably und the considerably under the section. At least twenty days. It will be about August 15 or 29 before picking will begin. The yield will be about the same as that of last year.

### SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT.

AUSTIN COUNTY.

Sealy.—Crop about one-half of last year's. Picking will commence in general about Angust 1. Drouts has out down the yield but with recent rains a fair crop may yet be expected, provided the belt weevil does not reappear.

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San Felipe.—Cotton that came up promises an average crop, but the accesse is light, less than buil the accesse is light, less than built the accesse is light, less than built the accesse is not accessed.

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BERGITY COUNTY.

Dayton—about one-fourth crop of cotton in the property of the continue of the property of the property of the continue of the property of the pro

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Alvin.—The conton acreage as compared with last year in this section is about 160 per cent less but the crop is the finest in a number of years. The fields are entirely free from weeds had greas and the plant is loaded down with boils and biossoms. The drouth had no bad effects on the crop, but it is believed that too much rain will. Picking will begin in about two weeks.

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Velasco—Owing to the floods and storm f last year and the year before, which as caused quite an exodus of people, the rop area of Brazorfa county has been reduced about one haif. Considering all the branches in the way, it can be said that he crop looks better than it has for ears. All that Brazoria county needs is lry weather to make the biggest crop or years, considering the amount planted,

COLORADO COUNTY.

Columbus.—Although the recent showers have not made a good cotton season, the effects have been beneficial and cotton is in better condition than for the past several years. The yield is expected to be near the normal. Picking will be general in two weeks from now. Last year was simost a total failure on account of continued rates.

Eagle Lake.—The outlook for a cotton crop this season is fairly good. Picking will begin in about fifteen days. About first of September the cotton planters will need all the pickers they can got. Pickers will be scarce this fail on account of so much public work in alls locality. The cotton yield will be 75 per cent better than last year if no back set. Rains have been beneficial so far but cotton don't need any more rain.

Welmar.—The present outlook for a good yield of 'cotton in this section is of the best and everything indicates a big croe. The boll weevil did much damage early in the scason but it has now alout shandoned for last senson for this point, say about 14,000 bales will be say have been beneficed in the continue to shower daily great injury will result.

Rock Island.—Over an inch of rain has failen here this week. It is of vast benefit to the accentage of accented in the smaller, Picking will begin about the ist of August. No insert bothering crop. A few complain of blight.

FORT BEND COUNTY.

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erop purposes, ichmond.—Prospects for cotton crop in

Richmond.—Prospects for cotton crop in Fort Read county and much better than thought for a month or six weeks ago. Since the recent rains at has begun growing rapidly and, while the stock is not as large as neual, it has more fruit. One planter stated a few days ago that he would likely get three-fourths to one hale per acre. Some cotton is opening fast and some picking is being done. The yield is better than last year. Acreege is much less than last year.

is better than for many years. The acreage is about accease of the past five years. No complaint of the boil weevil to amount to anything.

HARRIS COUNTY.

Adding.—Cotton in this vicinity is generally in good condition. The plant is smaller than usual because of dry weather, but better fruited than last year. Insects have not appeared much here and dry weather has killed them. Pi. Fing will begin perhaps two weeks later than usual, say about last of August. Fine rains the last ten days.

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Webster.—Cotton picking will begin about August 15. Acreage small, but yield will probably be 100 per cent greater than last year. Recent showers beneficial, but plant has not suffered from the drouth. No damage from insects reported and the plant is looking fige. oking fine.
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Dairy.—Outlook for this time against the same time last year is 25 per cent better. The drouth burt the old cotton some. The recent rains will be a great benefit. Picking will commence about August 10.

Hockler.—Cotton picking will begin about the last of this mouth or the second week in August. The yield will be about one-third of last year. The showers have caused the spaces to fall off about half.

Humble.—Cotton looking fine. The late rains have benefited cotton. Farmers expect a large yield. Picking will begin about August 1.

Coosity.—Prospects for a cotton crop of normal proportions are good at present. The rainfull here was ample to supply the requirements of the plant. Picking will be gin about August 10, but will not be general before September 1. The yield will be about 65 per cent of the 1899 yield, the crop here of last year having only been 10 per cent of the normal crop.

MATAGORDA COUNTY.

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Bay City.—The cotton crop of Matagorda county is very promising. The stalk is well formed and heavily fruited. Recent rains have been a great atvantage to the crop. No worms have appeared and the boil weevil is doing to damage. Picking will begin latter part of August.

Matagorda.—This section has been visited by very good rains. The outlook for cotton crop good, though the acreage compared with last year is very small. Picking will commence about the middle of August.

WALLER COUNTY.

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Brookshire. The cotton crop of this section is not very promising; owing to the drouth the uplands have suffered greatly, but cotton in the bottoms has continued to grow and put on fruit. The recent rains have caused the plant to shed hadly, but a new growth has begin and where the crop has been properly cultivated at least half a crop will be made. Crop not as good as last season. Picking has begin on the uplands. Should the conditions prove tavorable for the next six weeks about one-third of a crop will be the average. Hempstead, Crops in Waller county as

Hempstead.—Crops in Waller county are what are called "spotted." in some places good, in others had. As a general rule cotten is good and prospects fair. In some places it is extraordinarily good. Taking it altogether, the crop in Waller county is fair. The acreage is perhaps 15 per cent short of the usual, but the yield will be from present indications, good. Waller county's usual crop is about 20,000 bales; it is thought that this year it will reach 18,000.

WHARTON COUNTY.

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Wharton.—Cotton is opening and picking has commenced on the Harrison piantation. The cotton is in fine condition and picking will begin in carnest in about ten days. Some apprehension is felt that the showers that have been frequent of late may do serious damage to the maturing crop, as the cotton is opening so rapidity.

Pierce.—Condition of cotton crop in this

are divided as to the effect it will have continued as the weather continues but and a control of for 15 per cent of last year's yield, the control of last year than last year. Prospects for a large cotton crop worms shown and a control of the county is good, and average of one-half of a bale to the acressing will begin in from one to two weeks. The recent rains common the control of the prospect of last year than last year, the plant is common to the control of the prospect of the last year than last year, the plant is extend. They give dwill be more this year than last year, the plant is entired by the prospect of this vicinity will common prospect of the control of

DUVAL COUNTY. San Diego, The long drouth continues and no sign of rain. There will be no corn nor cotton raised in the whole county this season.

GOLIAD COUNTY.

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Berclair.—The outlook for cotton, while fairly good, is not as promising as last year at this time. The drouth and boli weevil have injured the plant materially, which will reduce the yield to probably one-third of a bale per acre. Picking has begun on some farms, but will not become general before August 10. The last is have started the plant to growing anew and unless the leaf worm attacks the plant the yield will no doubt be larger.

GONZALES COUNTY.

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Gonzales.—Good rains have fallen over the greater portion of the county, though some small sections are dry. Cotton has shed some on account of dry weather and showers following. The prospect now is for a larger crop thin hist year. Pleking will not be general hefore August 20. The plant showers compared with the present outlook promises about negret has a small sections are doing little damper now but may increase.

Harwood.—Recent rains have beinefied cotton. The boil werell has made its appearance again in this neighborhood, but enough grown boils on the stalk to almost insure as much cotton as last year, which were me damage done by the boil weight as well countered there was comparatively nothing made last year, on the pearance again in this neighborhood, but to what extent can be as yet to determine the acceptage to design the weight as year to be determined.

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mence about first week in August, Last year this year it is estimated that 4500 or more bules will be ablipped. The recent ratus have been beneficial to young cotton. There is no complaint of bell weevit.

Cardile.—The prespects for cotton is the best it has been for six years. They will go to picking by August 10. Some is open now. There is about one-third more this year. The rains have been plentiful of late.

KARNES COUNTY.

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Kenedy.—Cotton outlook here is good for about half a crop compared with last year Only for recent rains many fields in this section would have only turned out about one bale to ten acres. Catton is being picked now and a bale coming in occasionally to market.

Runge.—Cotton picking is expected to begin in this section next week. The prespect is that the yield will be smaller than it was last year. Late drouth damaged the cotton and when the recent rains fell they caused a great many forms to fait off, though the cotton here commenced growink afresh and is looking well. The to weevil are very aumerous and ca some farms are reported as doing much damage already.

LAVACA COUNTY.

Halletsville. The cotton crop in Lavaca county is fairly good. Early cetton is beginning to open and picking will soon commence. Boll weevil have again appeared and it is feared they will injure late cotton; at any rate, the yield will equal that of last year.

Moulton. The prospects for a good cotton crop were never better. The boil weevil have done but little damage. The recent rains have caused if to shed some and caused it to put en more fruit. We expect a heavier crop than last year and will begin picking by the 15th of August Hope.—From information gathered from the planters, cotton crop will be short about the same as last year. The drouth lasted too long and when the rain came all forms shed. Cotton is now affected with rust and the boil weevil are destroying all young forms. Picking will commence August 10.

LIVE OAK COUNTY. Oakville. Recent rains have materially brightened prospects for cotton crop in this county. Three weeks ago the outlook was very gloomy, now it looks like a hair or two-thirds of a crop compared with lass year. The option has shed nearly all the forms not well grown on account of rains. No material damage apprehended from the bell weevil.

MEDINA COUNTY

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Devine.—The outlook for cotton in this pertion of Medina county is most favorable. Picking began here about July 10, much earlier than last season. As compared with last year, the yield will be fully as givent. If not greater. The rain which fell on the 10th and 11th of the present menth did much good and repaired all damages caused by preceding drouth. Sometime of ten hales of new crop have been ginned here.

Hondo.—In this vicinity and in Medina county generally the cotton crop, since the general rain of July 10, and local rains of July 22, 23 and 24, has grown nicely, locks healthy. Acreage larger than larger's. Picking commenced on July 20, NIENCES COUNTY.

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BROWN COUNTY.

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Brownwood. Some parts of the county have been visited with good showers in the inst ten days and in those parts cotton is exceedingly good, while in others the weed is small and needing rain hadly. Cotton generally late. Picking will not begin before August 15. A safe estimate would be to place the crop at about one-third of an average yield, though a good general rain within ten days would materially in crease the yield sil over the county.

BURLESON COUNTY.

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Caldwell.—The cotten crop is 10 per cent better than last year, principally from the fact that there are good crops in the creek and river bottoms, where last year there were none. One fourth bale per acre is in sight. Picking will begin in ten days and the first bale may be expected by August 8. Boll weevil in some localities, but doing very little damage, Good local showers have fallen.

CALDWELL COUNTY.

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Lockhari.—The present outlook for the cotion crap in this section is not good. The dreath had injured it materially before the very partial rains came, and the blooming on too indicated that growth had ceased. The yield will not be more than to per cent of last year, if that. Picking will commence on a limited scale about August 12.

Luling.—The cotton crop in this section is at present good. The plant is in many farms small, but is growing and fruiting nicely. So far the crop has not suffered from rain. Fine rains have failen the past two days that will be sufficient to curry the crop over until about August 15, by which time rain again will be needed. The boil weevil has done some damage, but the hot weather the past month seems to have killed them, or so nearly so that no fears are now felt on their account. The crop or the whole is two weeks late, betoe there will be no picking to amount to anything before August 1 and not many forms will be sufficiently opened then to make much headway in picking. Every thing considered, the prospects here are for a good crop of cotton this year.

COLEMAN COUNTY.

Santz Anna. The cotton crop prespect in this section is very discouraging, owing to grasshoppers and drouth; the estimate of crop will be about 40 per cent of a crop.

COOKE COUNTY

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Gainesville.—The cotton outlook in Cooke and surrounding countles was never better than how. There has been picatry of rain here for the past few days. Cotton picking will begin in this community about the last of Angust:

Valley View.—The present outlook for cotton is sorry, a great deal of it was planted late. Recent rains have helped it, however. The yield will not be as great as last year by 50 per cent. Picking will not begin before the middle of September.

COMANCHE COUNTY.

CORYELL COUNTY

unless it rains soon and the weather is favorable the rest of the fail.

BOSQUE COUNTY.

Meridian.—The outlook for a cotton crop in Bosque is poor; the April planted crop is almost beyond redemption, while that planted in May has resisted the force of the long drouth and has continued to grow; it is estimated that the late-planted cotton constitutes about one-third of the entire acreage; a fine rain has just fallen, but no intelligent estimates can be formed as to the man outcome; picking about August 10.

Walnut Springs.—The cotton crop has held its own considering the drouth; picking will begin about September 1 or sooner; there will be about and cotton crop made as compared with last year unless the recent rains are supplemented by more rains at the proper time; in that event I believe the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time in that event I believe the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time in that event I believe the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time in that event I believe the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time is that a crop is about the same as we can be continued drouth as had damaging effect on all early called the slowers have kept late colton crop is about the same as we can the crop is about the same as we can the crop is about the same as we can the crop is about the same as we can the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time is the proper time in that event I believe the crop will be at least two-thirds as good cotton crop is assured. But the proper time is the proper time in the result is the proper time in the proper time in the result of the crop is about the same as we can be continued drouth as the slowers have corten to a late slowers have contained and as a late slowers have contained and as a late slowers have contained and as a late slowers have contain

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BURNET COUNTY.

Marble Falls—Cotton is small and needing win, Local showers have done some good, but a general rain is badly needed. The average yield will be about one-quarter bule to the acre. Picking will begin about August 15, but marketing will not begin about August 15, but marketing will not begin a carnest until September 1.

Hertram,—The cotton outlook throughouthis section of Texas is not very promising at present. There have been only partial showers of rain. Some cotton is good on the places where rain has fallen, but its other larger streaks the cotton is very sorty, especially the young cotton. Picking will begin August 20 to 27 and will be in full force by September 5—earliers unless we get rain.

CALDWELL, COUNTY.

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